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**NEW NATIONAL-LEVEL ORDNANCE DEPOT  
AZ ZARQA NATIONAL ORDNANCE DEPOT, JORDAN**

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** A NEW, NATIONAL-LEVEL ORDNANCE DEPOT HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED NEAR AZ ZARQA, JORDAN. (SWN)

2. **REMARKS:** A NEW, NATIONAL-LEVEL ORDNANCE DEPOT, AZ ZARQA NATIONAL ORDNANCE DEPOT WAS IDENTIFIED 5.5 NM EAST-SOUTHEAST OF AZ ZARQA [REDACTED] ALTHOUGH THE NEW DEPOT WAS CONSTRUCTED BETWEEN AUGUST 1982 AND JULY 1983, EQUIPMENT WAS NOT OBSERVED UNTIL JULY 1984. THE ARMOR, ARTILLERY, AND SA-8 EQUIPMENT AT THIS NEW DEPOT IS PROBABLY A PORTION OF THE EQUIPMENT WHICH DEPARTED AT AZ ZARQA ORDNANCE DEPOT NE [REDACTED] (NPIC IAC 8437 [REDACTED])

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[REDACTED] THE RELOCATION OF THIS EQUIPMENT SUGGESTS THAT THE NEW FACILITY HAS REPLACED AZ ZARQA ORDNANCE DEPOT NE AS THE PRIMARY DEPOT FOR GROUND FORCES EQUIPMENT AND THE RECEIVING AND CHECKOUT FACILITY FOR NEWLY PURCHASED WEAPONS SYSTEMS. (SWN)

THE LARGE, FENCE-SECURED DEPOT CONSISTS OF AN ADMINISTRATION AREA CONTAINING THREE ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS, A MAINTENANCE/STORAGE AREA COMPOSED OF 14 MAINTENANCE/STORAGE BUILDINGS ARRANGED IN GROUPS OF TWO, AND A LARGE OPEN-STORAGE AREA ENCOMPASSING THE EASTERN AND NORTHERN PORTIONS OF THE FACILITY. (SWN)

GROUND ORDER-OF-BATTLE IN THE OPEN-STORAGE AREA ON [REDACTED] INCLUDED 230 M-48 TANKS, 26 M-60 TANKS, THIRTY 155MM SELF-PROPELLED (SP) HOWITZERS (PROBABLE) M-109, EIGHTEEN 155MM SP HOWITZERS (PROBABLE) M-44, FORTY-ONE 105MM SP HOWITZERS M-114, TWENTY-EIGHT 105MM HOWITZERS M-102, 14 M-42 SP ANTIAIRCRAFT GUNS, APPROXIMATELY 275 MORTARS, 39 SARACEN ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS (APC), 38 TRUCKS, 48 AMMUNITION TRAILERS, AND 58 GENERATOR TRAILERS. IN ADDITION, SAM ORDER-OF-BATTLE CONSISTED OF SIX SA-8 TRANSPORTER-LAUNCHER-AND-RADARS (TLAR) AND FOUR SA-8 RESUPPLY VEHICLES PARKED IN AN OPEN AREA ADJACENT TO THE WEST SIDE OF THE MAINTENANCE/STORAGE BUILDINGS. (SWN)

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